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1. MIN OF HIGHER EDUCATION OUSMANE CAMAR TOLD AMBASSADOR THAT PRESIDENT SENGHOR, IN JUNE 3 CABINET MEETING, HAD INDICATED HE WAS "VERY, VERY PLEASED" WITH RECEPTION ACCORDED HIM IN US. CAMARA SAID SOME MEMBERS OF SENGHOR'S ENTOURAGE HAD FEARED GOS PRESIDENT WOULD NOT GET RECEPTION HE DESERVED, BUT THEY AND PRESIDENT WERE STRUCK BOTH BY LEVEL AND EXTENT OF USG ATTENTION ACCORDED PRESIDENT SENGHOR.

- 2. PRESIDENT'S CABINET DIRECTOR, MOUSTAPHA NIASSE ALSO TELEPHONED EMBASSY IMMEDIATELY ON HIS RETURN SENEGAL MAY 30 TO EXPRESS GOS DELIGHT OVER TRIP ARRANGEMENTS AND TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR US EFFORT AND HOSPITALITY.
- 3. IN STATEMENT TO JOURNALISTS AT AIRPORT UPON ARRIVAL FROM MEXICO/US/FRANCE TRIP,PRES. SENGHOR SAID HE HAD FOUND PRESIDENT FORD RESPONSIBLE, STEADY,RELIABLE AND FRANK (UN HOMME SERIEUX ET OUVERT).

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